

Free Workshop Introduction to Grant Writing

A two-day intensive workshop to build grant writing skills for organizations and agencies in the Sierra Nevada region.

<u>Why</u>? The Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC) looks to the organizations, agencies, and local governments in the Region to help achieve its vision for the future — that the magnificent Sierra Nevada Region enjoys outstanding environmental, economic, and social health, with vibrant communities and landscapes sustained for future generations. You are our partners and we want to help you obtain funding to achieve these goals!

<u>Who should attend</u>? Community, nonprofit, and local government representatives who would like to learn how to prepare effective grant applications. This workshop is geared to the beginning (no experience) and intermediate (moderate grant writing experience) levels.

<u>What will be covered</u>? The workshop will cover the basics of grant writing and program development, including:

- How to make your application as competitive as possible
- Basic program development for effective grant writing
- The eight standard parts of a grant application
- How to create a work plan and budget spreadsheet

This will be a small, interactive class. Participation and writing will be required. Come prepared to discuss a real project that you would like to fund and to write about it. Individual assistance will be provided on writing assignments.

<u>Instructor</u>: The workshop will be taught by Elissa Brown, Sierra Nevada Conservancy's Fund Development Coordinator. Elissa is an experienced grant writer and grant writing instructor.

Where and When: The workshop will be held on August 24 and 25 at the Sierra Nevada Conservancy Office: 11521 Blocker Dr., Ste. 205, Auburn. Day 1 will start at 9:00 am and end at 3:00 pm. You'll be expected to put in 1-2 hours that afternoon or evening on your writing assignment. Day 2 will start at 9 am and end at 12:30. You can bring a brown bag lunch for Day 1, or purchase your own lunch from the café right next door.

If you like to work on a computer, please bring a laptop and a long extension cord. If you prefer to write by hand bring paper and pens. Either is fine! Participants will be sent class materials to bring to the workshop, either on paper or on your laptop.

To register: Please contact Chris Dallas: <u>Chris.Dallas @sierranevada.ca.gov</u> before August 17. Registration is limited to 15 participants on a first-come, first served basis.